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SENATOR BRICE IS DENOUNCED

Dramatic Scenes in the Ohio Democratic State Convention.

FREE SILVER PLANK ADOPTED

Ohio's Dapper Member of the United States Senate Receives an Awful Tongue Lashing from an Orator of Youngstown—Tom Johnson Pours Oil Upon the Troubled Waters and Stills the Cry of Rats—The Old Roman Joins the Silver Debate.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 19.—A LARGE majority of the Democracy of Ohio, in state convention assembled today, reversed the pronouncements of all previous state as well as national gatherings of the party in declaring unequivocally in favor of free silver. By a vote almost as large, endorsement was given through the medium of an indirect resolution to the attitude taken by Senator Calvin S. Brice in the recent tariff reform contest. The debate on these two issues occupied nearly four hours of the continuous session. In twelve minutes more the entire ticket had been nominated and the convention adjourned sine die.

Probably no more dramatic scene has ever been witnessed in any state national convention than that which occurred during the debate on the amendment to the platform providing for the future nominations of United States senators by vote of the state conventions. Up to the calling of the convention to order, the scene had been understood by all but a few of the uninitiated that the opposition to Senator Brice had been abandoned and that the majority report on resolutions would be allowed to go through without amendment or protest. This much, at least, was the understanding of the senator and his immediate circle, and it was with a self-satisfied air and the bearing of a victor that Mr. Brice entered the wings and allowed himself to be escorted by Chairman Critze to a seat on the right of the audience. His appearance was recognized with faint applause, and the convention having been called to order, everything went as merrily as a marriage bell until the report of the committee on resolutions had been presented. Then the storm clouds began to gather, and the glare of the footlights seemed to bring before the eyes of the audience the form of the junior senator in old relief. From his seat in the second row of the parquet, Congressman L. Johnson arose, and ignoring vociferous demands that he should leave the stage, asserted the minority position, instructing the incoming committee to include in the business of the next convention the nomination of a United States senator.

HOSTILITIES OPENED.

This was the formal announcement of hostilities. All eyes seemed to turn instinctively toward the junior senator. For a moment his face flushed, and he chewed nervously at the toothpick between his teeth. Then he straightened himself up. His smooth-shaven, almost Cassius-like face, became immobile. The representative from the Cleveland district had little to say in addition to the formal presentation of the minority report save the suggestion that election of senators by the people would bring the interests of the people more closely together, and that this was a consummation to be desired.

It was the second speech of John H. Clark, of Youngstown, one of the best orators in the state and a bitter opponent of the Brice regime. Standing just beneath the platform, his silver hair shining in the glare of the footlights, with outstretched arm and index finger quivering, hurling invective after invective, while less than fifteen feet away, with face pale and expression, at the height of his wrath and denunciation, the scene was well worthy the brush and canvas of the painter.

"Who has a claim on the United States senate for life?" he demanded, and the audience shouted the response: "None."

"No longer is it the question," continued the speaker, "impassioned tones, 'when a senator is to be elected, what is he worth, what are his talents, what service has he done the state. The only issue is how much is he worth. In this republic is a man's head to be measured by the length of his purse? Is it not true that this question rose above pen and above party? Do you not know that the United States senate has become a rich man's club; that it is the resting place of trusts and understandings and combines, that in it the sugar trust has raised its hydra-head, and in the name of the community of trusts, has seized the Democracy by the throat, and compelled it to stand and deliver?"

And so, to the accompaniment of cheers, hisses, cat calls, yells and opprobrious epithets, the impassioned orator went on, protected time and again by the chairman until he had concluded on his own free will.

THE SUBJECT LOCATED.

No direct reference had been made to Brice up to this time. It remained for his first spokesman, Jesse M. Lewis, of Urban, to make a personal reference to the senator and to plead that the Democracy of Ohio ought not to execute a man first and try him afterward.

"Won't you defer judgment for a year?" he asked, but there came in a mighty shout of "No." Then General Atkinson, chairman of the committee on resolutions, secured the floor to dramatically declare that the resolution was an indirect slap in the face of the man and all men in the senate of the United States who had stood between the people and the McKinley law.

Facing Congressman Johnson, he demanded: "Do you endorse all that your associate, Mr. Clark, has said? Put yourself on record. Let it be yes or no, here and now."

There was no response except from the audience, which yelled "Rats!" and other choice expressions, and to its hearty content.

Congressman Johnson was permitted to close the debate. "I have no ill feeling toward or suspicion of Colonel Brice," he declared. "I don't believe that he bought his seat in the United States senate, and I have said so time and again. Nor do I believe that the tariff bill just passed was the best bill for the country, but at the same time I believe that Colonel Brice thought so and that he voted for it honestly."

This was pouring oil on the troubled waters and the friends of the senator cheered again and again. The previous question was demanded, but just as this juncture it was developed that the bimetallic element had a minority report with which to oppose the free silver plank and another war of words was ordered.

DEFEATED IN NAVAL BATTLE

Chinese Are Again Worsted by the Mikado's Warriors.

A HEAVY LOSS ON BOTH SIDES

Japanese Prevent the Landing of Chinese Troops and Claim the Victory—A Test Shows That Modern War Ships Are Very Effective—Loss of Life is Fearful All Around—Three of the Mikado's Ships Go Down—Several Officers Killed.

THE OLD ROMAN SPEAKS.

Allen W. Thurman, son of the Old Roman, denounced the opposition as gold bugs who lacked the courage of their convictions and without response, challenged them to defend their position.

Low May, of Cincinnati, heatedly declared that if the convention placed itself on record in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver, the party would be buried under an avalanche that would more than equal the Neel campaign.

By this time the convention was clamorous for a vote.

Bi-metalism was buried and free silver proclaimed victorious by 168 to 319.

On the senatorial issue, a motion to simply declare in favor of the election of United States senators by a direct vote of the people was carried by 467 to 323.

With the announcement of the vote, Senator Brice without a change of countenance, arose from the chair he had occupied for four hours, and looking neither to the right nor the left, stalked across the stage and through the wings to the outer air.

Meanwhile Chairman Hurd had called for nominations for the state ticket. Speeches were barred.

Following is the ticket nominated: Secretary of state, Milton Turner, of Guernsey; supreme judge, James D. Erment, of Hamilton; state school commissioner, James A. Leech, of Franklin; member board public works, Henry B. Keffer, of Tuscarawas.

JUDGE REYNOLDS IS SICK

The Pennsylvania Situation Gives Him Political Blues.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Judge Reynolds, of Bedford, assistant secretary of the interior, has just returned from an extensive trip through Pennsylvania, where he carefully studied the political situation. Democrats that he is Judge Reynolds confesses that the outlook in Pennsylvania is very gloomy for the Democrats. He thinks the Republicans may gain several congressmen, and as for the state ticket the only thing that the Democrats can work for, he said, is merely to keep down the Republican majority as much as possible.

He says he thinks it is quite likely that the Republicans will carry the Pittsburgh district, now represented by William H. Sipe. That district is in bad shape for the Democrats and they are likely to lose it. The discussions among the Democrats themselves in Mr. Sipe's district will aid the Republicans in their fight.

Outside of the Democratic stronghold, the only Democratic congressman whom he thinks has a chance is Joseph G. Sibley, and as is well known, there is much doubt whether Mr. Sibley will make the fight. Taking the whole situation into account Judge Reynolds returned with a very bad case of political blues.

WILL NOT RESIGN NOW

Senator Jones Will Wait Till the Nevada Legislature Meets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—C. C. Pottinger, of Reno, Nevada, the city, and in an interview stated that Senator Jones had indicated his future course to his friends. He says that Jones has not joined the Populists, but has gone over to the silver party of Nevada. In the meantime, Jones will disregard the demand of the Republican committee that he resign at once, because that would give the governor an opportunity to appoint a Republican as Jones' successor.

For that reason he will wait until the Nevada legislature meets and then resign, offering himself as a candidate to serve out his own unexpired term. Pawning himself the success of the silver party ticket and says Jones' election will be an endorsement of his course.

PENNSYLVANIA PICKINGS.

Pottsville is to have a new postoffice. A train at Easton cut to pieces Lewis Hay.

Falling from a tree at Allentown, young Harry Brey was fatally hurt.

Governor Pattison will today attend the Berks county fair at Kutztown.

A branch of the United Mine Workers of America has been organized at St. Clair.

By a fall of coal in an Ashland mine Henry Hoffman was knocked down and strangled.

In Luke Fiddler colliery, Shamokin, Andrew Feather was crushed lifeless by a fall of coal.

Five trolley companies are fighting for the right of way in various towns in Schuylkill county.

Pennsylvania Seventh Day Adventists will hold their annual campmeeting on Sept. 30 at Harrisburg.

The Mennonite congregation at Reading road, Lancaster, will choose a pastor from among nine applicants by lot.

Horse thief Harvey Palmer, who stole William Carson's team at Lehigh, was sent to prison at Media for four years.

Judge Melly ordered the Lebanon grand jury to impose the costs of prosecution upon persons who brought suit for mere revenge.

A Pennsylvania railroad freight train derailed into a landslide at Spruce Creek tunnel, and Conductor Miller, of Tyrone, was injured.

The king of Pennsylvania chicken thieves, Ed Sicker, was convicted at Easton and sent to prison for two and a half years.

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REGULATORS KILLED.

Two Louisiana White Cappers Ambushed and Killed by Negroes.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Sept. 19.—A shooting affair took place near Abbeville in the Vermilion parish Sunday night, in which two regulators lost their lives. For some past a party of regulators have been regulating and terrorizing negroes who were obnoxious to them.

The police hearing of a contemplated raid on a negro named Newton Jones that night, the sheriff, with a posse of deputies, lay in wait. When Dahomine and his gang came in sight, all armed and masked, the deputies pounced on them suddenly and captured the entire party, nine in number. In the meanwhile Newton Jones, the negro, hearing of their proposed visit, had collected his friends and lay in ambush, not knowing that the sheriff was also after them.

When the party was returning to Abbeville, and about two miles from the town, the negroes opened fire on them from ambush, firing only two shots, but killing two of the regulators, Roanar and Sheaxagdre by name, and narrowly missing the sheriff. As soon as the ambushers found that a sheriff's posse they fled. Bloodhounds were procured, and the murderers will be tracked.

UNITED TYPOTHETAE.

A New System of Type Measurement Is Recommended by the Body.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 19.—The United Typothetae of America, which is an annual convention in this city, today adopted a recommendation that the time-honored system of measurement of type by ems be displaced by a new method of measuring the actual letters in the matter composed. The greater part of the morning session was devoted to consideration of the above topic, and also to the government printing of envelopes and the matter of insurance of other's property while in possession of the printer.

President McEstridge appointed Joseph J. Little, of New York, Ames Robinson, of Chicago, and Harry P. Pearce, of Pittsburgh, as a committee on government printing. Part of the report of the committee on trade usages were presented by William Ennis Jones, of Richmond, Va. It recommended that the rules of the New York Typothetae be adopted for the government of the national organization, and also that the various local typothetae revise their rules in accordance with the New York standard.

The convention will elect officers on Friday and a committee of eleven was appointed to prepare for the election. The same committee was charged with the duty of choosing a place for the next convention.

David Rameley, of St. Paul, extended to the delegates an invitation to hold the next convention at Minneapolis and St. Paul, and this was seconded by the delegates of St. Louis and C. H. Blackley, of Chicago. J. L. Davine said he had been authorized to extend an invitation in behalf of New York, but if any other city asked for it New York would not be urged.

AMERICAN MECHANICS.

Subjects Considered by Them at the Lancaster Convention.

LANCASTER, Pa., Sept. 19.—At this afternoon's session of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, the following recommendations of the state committee were adopted: That the committee on laws prepare a law on the subject of special deputies; that the incoming officers appoint a committee to prepare a question paper and mileage; that a reserve fund be placed at the disposal of the officers for cases of emergency; empowering the incoming officers to print and distribute 2,000 copies of the proceedings in the Riverside and Gallitzin school houses.

A vote of thanks was extended to the various newspapers for their assistance in the school houses.

Dr. Richards, of Ebenburg, presented the state board with a fine crayon portrait of Thaddeus Stevens and received a vote of thanks.

A lengthy discussion ensued on anonymous attacks in publications of the order on prominent members and they were condemned.

McKeesport was chosen as the next place of meeting.

SARGENT RE-ELECTED.

But He Was Unable to Defeat Hanrahan in the Firemen's Brotherhood.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 19.—Grand Master Sargent and Vice Grand Master Hanrahan were re-elected today by the convention of Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, the former by acclamation, and the latter after an exciting contest. Sargent's friends tried hard to defeat Hanrahan, because of the assistance he gave Eugene V. Debs in the Pullman sympathy strike.

He was re-elected on the second ballot Charles Wilson, of Easton, and Charles W. Maier, of Parsons, were elected second and third vice grand masters, respectively.

CONNECTICUT TICKET.

Republican Standard Bearer Selected at Hartford.

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 19.—At the Republican state convention held here today, the following ticket was nominated: Governor, O. Vincent Collo; lieutenant governor, Lorrin A. Cook; secretary of state, Colonel William C. Mowry; state treasurer, George W. Hodge; comptroller, B. P. Meade.

CONGRATULATIONS FOLLOW.

Breckinridge's Sister-in-Law Thanks the Kentucky Women.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 19.—Mrs. F. K. Hunt, the venerable president of the Women's Anti-Breckinridge association of Lexington, has received a letter from Miss Mary Deba, sister-in-law of Colonel Breckinridge, now residing in Washington, from which the following extract is taken:

"I will probably never see you again on this earth, and I want to tell you how much I thank you for what you have done in defeating the man who has disgraced the Ashland district. You, at home, can hardly realize how we have felt here. There was universal rejoicing this morning when the result was known."

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POLICE INSPECTION.

On Sept. 25, the Date of the Firemen's Parade.

The annual inspection of the police department will be held Sept. 25. The date is a very happy selection, the fact that the day will also witness the annual parade of the fire department. The inspection proper will be held at 11 o'clock in the morning and in the afternoon the entire force, excepting the few necessary for patrol duty will parade with the fire department.

The fact that the scrutiny of the force will be held on a day when thousands of critical strangers will be in the city is an evidence of the faith Mayor Connell and Chief of Police Simpson in the result of the inspection. The preliminary inspection was held during the summer. Since then the force has increased in numbers, has had the benefit of weekly drills and has been supplied with whatever accommodations were lacking.

Mayor Connell, accompanied by members of council and city officials, will conduct the inspection at the Municipal building.

CHASE OF A HUSBAND.

Millionaire Byers the Victim of a Kidnapping Plot More Strange Than Fiction.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 19.—Mrs. E. M. Byers, wife of the millionaire iron manufacturer of this city, today filed a sensational petition in court, asking for the custody of her husband and his estate. A commissioner was appointed to take testimony.

Mrs. Byers in her petition tells a most astounding story. She says she has been married twenty-two years. About two years ago B. Shields, an employee of A. M. Byers, her brother-in-law, kidnapped her husband and took him to Chicago, where he was placed in custody of Dr. L. W. Tallman, who took Byers to Duluth and then to St. Paul, where he was placed in a hotel under the charge of Eva Dilz, a trained nurse.

Mrs. Byers located her husband on Aug. 29, 1893. The party returned with her to Chicago. Here, she alleges, morphine was surreptitiously administered to her by Dr. Tallman, and while she was unconscious her husband was again carried off, taken from place to place, generally outside of the United States, covering altogether about 40,000 miles.

Mrs. Byers spent thousands of dollars searching for her husband, and finally located him in Japan. She sent her agent, Samuel Boyd, for her husband, and they returned to San Francisco. Here they were met by Dr. Tallman, who endeavored to regain possession of Byers.

Finally, on July 30, 1894, an agreement was signed by all the interested parties to the effect that Byers should return to Pittsburgh without any interference in the custody of Boyd. At St. Joseph Byers was taken from the train on a writ of habeas corpus, but at the hearing was remanded into Boyd's custody. A few hours later, Mrs. Byers alleges, N. B. Shields, Peter L. Kennedy, John Davis and Dr. Tallman again kidnapped Byers and took him to Chicago, where trace of him was lost. A few days ago Mrs. Byers found her husband in the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane at Philadelphia. He is now under her care.

MECHANICAL DRAWING FREE.

Class Under Competent Instruction Will Begin at the Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian Association has for five years conducted a very successful class in mechanical drawing, and will this year have three competent instructors. A feature of this work is its practical nature; the teachers are all practical draughtsmen and are under the direction of H. W. Rowley, of the Dickinson Manufacturing company.

Those looking for promotion in mechanical lines can avail themselves of this opportunity to improve their knowledge of this line of work. Classes will begin Thursday evening, Sept. 27. All inquiries should be made at once at the Young Men's Christian Association office.

INSURANCE ADJUSTERS HERE.

Lackawanna Avenue Fire Losses to Be Settled Later.

Many insurance adjusters have been in the city for two days past in consequence of the recent Lackawanna avenue fire.

They met at the Wyoming House in several important sessions, but no final adjustment of the losses can be made until later.

CHOLERA IN PRUSSIA.

The Dreaded Disease Steadily Gaining Ground.

BERLIN, Sept. 19.—For the week ending Sept. 17 in East Prussia there were twenty-eight new cases of cholera and nine deaths from that disease. In the Elbe district one new case of cholera was reported and one case of that disease was announced at Hesse-Nassau.

In the Rhine district two new cases of cholera and two deaths were reported, and in Silesia there were fifty-four new cases and twenty-three deaths.

RECORD AGAIN LOWERED.

GALESBURG, Ill., Sept. 19.—The Galesburg track holds the world's record for trotting, Altx clipping a quarter of a second off her record here this afternoon going the mile in 2:03 3/4.

WEATHER FORECAST.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Forecast for eastern Pennsylvania: rain in the early morning, followed by fair, probably slightly cooler, variable winds, becoming north-west.

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